

SEX OR KIDNAPPING OFFENDER INFORMATION BULLETIN LEVEL 2 NOTIFICATION OF RELEASE

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SPECIAL ASSAULT UNIT SEX AND KIDNAPPING OFFENDER REGISTRATION DETAIL

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The Seattle Police Department is releasing the following information pursuant to RCW 4.24.550 and the Washington State Supreme Court decision in <u>State v. Ward</u>, which authorizes law enforcement agencies to inform the public of a sex or kidnapping offenders release when; in the discretion of the agency, the release of information will enhance public safety and protection.

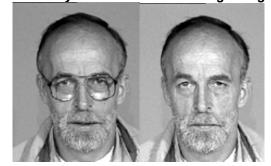
The individual who appears on this notification has been convicted of a sex or kidnapping offense that requires registration with the sheriff's office in the county of their residence. Further, their previous criminal history places them in a classification level which reflects the <u>potential</u> to re-offend.

This sex or kidnapping offender <u>has served</u> the sentence imposed on him by the courts and has advised the King County Department of Public Safety that he will be living in the location below. <u>HE IS NOT WANTED BY THE POLICE AT THIS TIME.</u> THIS NOTIFICATION IS NOT INTENDED TO INCREASE FEAR; RATHER, IT IS OUR BELIEF THAT AN INFORMED PUBLIC IS A SAFER PUBLIC.

The Seattle Police Department has no legal authority to direct where a sex or kidnapping offender may or may not live. Unless court ordered restrictions exist, this offender is constitutionally free to live wherever he chooses.

Sex and kidnapping offenders have always lived in our communities; but it wasn't until passage of the Community Protection Act of 1990 (which mandates sex and kidnapping offender registration) that law enforcement even knew where they were living. In many cases, law enforcement is now able to share that information with you. Citizen abuse of this information to threaten, intimidate or harass registered sex or kidnapping offenders will not be tolerated. Further, such abuse could potentially end law enforcement's ability to do community notifications. We believe the only person who wins if community notification ends is the sex or kidnapping offender, since they derive their power through secrecy.

The Seattle Police Department distributes these notices to organized Block Watches via Community Crime Prevention. If you wish to set up a Block Watch, receive crime prevention or personal safety information, call 206-684-7555. If you have information regarding current criminal activity of this or any other offender, please call 9-1-1.



Clark, Gary L. W M 8/23/51 Age: 51

6'1", 175 pounds, brown hair, hazel eyes. 3" scar on his right knee. Two 1" scars on his right hand. Wears corrective lenses.

Gary L. Clark was released from prison after completing his sentence for Indecent Liberties. The victim in this case was a 76-year-old female who was a patient at the nursing home where Clark worked as a maintenance supervisor. The victim suffered from dementia and was unable to protect or defend herself. Clark has no other sex offense convictions, although he acknowledges a significant history of sexually obsessive behavior, mostly peeping and frottage.

Clark is no longer under the supervision of the Department of Corrections. He declined to participate in any sexual deviancy treatment while incarcerated. Clark has registered as a sex offender as required by law. He is living in the 2000 block of E. Crescent Dr.

Additional sex or kidnapping offender information:

As of the date of this bulletin, there are 16,881 sex or kidnapping offenders who have registered as required (since 2/28/90) and are living in Washington State. 3,679 of these are registered to King County addresses. 1,230 are registered to addresses within the city limits of Seattle.